

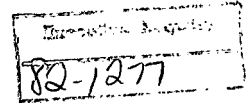
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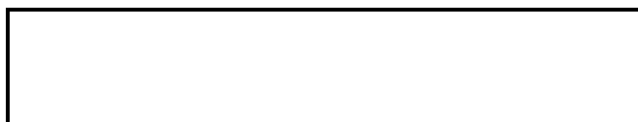
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1. On the afternoon of 30 April, the undersigned met for approximately 45 minutes with Mr. Ernest W. Lefever for a general discussion on the subject of international terrorism and the U.S. Government's ability to cope with that problem. The meeting was held at Mr. Lefever's request. Mr. Lefever explained that he was conducting a series of interviews throughout the Government with individuals (in several agencies or departments) who are specializing in programs to cope with the problem of international terrorism. Mr. Lefever is preparing a study at the request of Secretary of State Haig, and he stated that comments he obtained from the various individuals he was interviewing would be non-attributable.

2. Mr. Lefever presented me with a copy of his book, CIA and the American Ethic, and a copy of a speech he gave in January 1982 on the subject of international terrorism. Lefever came across as an individual very sympathetic to the need for aggressive intelligence operations directed against international terrorist groups.

3. The subjects discussed ranged from the U.S. Government organization to deal with terrorism, which Lefever believes is fragmented and in need of a focal point, to the lack of penetration of specific terrorist groups and the need to accomplish same. Mr. Lefever was fairly blunt in his remarks about the Department of State's role as a lead agency stating that State is ill-equipped to function in that capacity. My responses to questions posed by Mr. Lefever were consistent with the proposals put forward by this Agency during the past several months, i.e., that the U.S. Government needs a more focused and coordinated counterterrorism program and that the intelligence community needs more penetrations of international terrorist groups.

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